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2011 Idaho Wheat Varieties

By class, soft white winter wheat accounted for 42.9 percent of all wheat acres up from 37.1 in 2010. Hard red spring wheat accounts for 19.0 percent which is down 2.1 percentage points from 2010. The third most popular class in 2011 is soft white spring, accounting for 14.2 percent in 2011 compared to 15.7 percent of all wheat acres in 2010. The fourth most popular class in 2011 is hard red winter, accounting for 11.9 percent in 2011 compared to 14.3 percent of all wheat acres in 2010. Overall, 30.9 percent of the 2011 wheat crop is hard red winter and spring wheat, down 4.5 percentage points from 2010. Soft white winter and spring wheat accounted for 57.0 percent, up 4.1 percentage points from 2010. The remaining 12.0 percent of the wheat planted was hard white wheat, club wheat and durum wheat.

Brundage, a soft white winter wheat was the most popular variety accounting for 9.7 percent of the wheat seeded in 2011 and 2010. Westbred 936, a hard red spring variety, is Idaho's second most popular wheat variety with 8.5 percent. The remaining top five varieties in 2011 are; Alturas, a soft white spring, third with 6.3 percent; Klasic, a hard white spring, fourth with 6.1 percent and Jefferson, a hard red spring, fifth with 4.8 percent of all wheat planted.